

Invitation for Youth Forum 2024

Dear Students and Youth Leaders,

You are cordially invited to participate in the Youth Forum 2024, an empowering event aimed at fostering youth engagement, promoting citizen rights, and envisioning the future of our nation. This event is a broad view brought to life by the founder of Sri Lanka Model United Nations(SLMUN) Mr Rohan Ellawala and is organised by previous SLMUN alumni.

The Forum will take place on the **29th of June 2024** at the **Medical Faculty of the University of Colombo**. Further details on the logistics of the conference will be shared in due course.

The purpose of this youth forum is to raise awareness on the importance of adolescent and youth participation in the decision-making process of today's world as well as to develop global competence and critical skills to present their concerns and ideas to the State and Local bodies. This is an Innovative and inclusive process that helps young people grasp complex perspectives of our country. Apart from this, our forum will assist its participants in understanding and imagining the future. Equipped with this knowledge, it is our goal to help participants understand the past, make important decisions about the present and hope for future decades.

The Youth Forum 2024 serves as a platform for young minds to come together, discuss pressing issues, and shape the direction of our society. Our main goals include:

- **Raising Awareness:** Explore the importance of youth participation in decision-making processes and develop critical skills to advocate for change.
- **Imagining the Future:** Envision and articulate your predictions and hopes for the future, spanning 2030, 2040, and 2050.
- **Understanding Citizen Rights:** Delve into the rights and responsibilities of citizens and discuss the balance between individual freedoms and societal obligations.
- **Promoting Social Harmony:** Emphasize the significance of reconciliation and social harmony among diverse ethnic and religious groups.

- Taking Action: Develop action plans to address current challenges and contribute to building a vibrant democracy.

Our forum will feature interactive workshops, engaging panel discussions, and networking opportunities, providing you with the tools and knowledge to make a difference in your communities.

Join us alongside 300 students and youth leaders as we embark on a journey of discovery, dialogue, and empowerment. Together, let us shape a brighter future for generations to come.

Please feel free to contact us for any further information and visit www.ceylon youth.org

We look forward to your enthusiastic participation!

Warm regards,

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